REMARKS

The Office Action requires restriction between the invention of claims 1 and 3 and the

invention of claims 2 and 4. The Office Action further requires that if claims 1 and 3 are

elected, then election be made between the embodiment of claim 1 and the embodiment of

claim 3, but if claims 2 and 4 are elected, then election be made between the embodiment of

claim 2 and the embodiment of claim 4.

As to the restriction requirement, Applicant elects claims 1 and 3 without traverse.

As to the election requirement, Applicant elects claim 1, together with claim 5 which

is directed to a species of generic claim 1.

To the extent, if any, that the election requirement may be deemed to be directed to

claim 5, Applicant traverses the election requirement, since claim 5 is directed to a species of

generic claim 1.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR

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